

REVIEW SHEET

B-4243

Historic Preservation Certification Application—Significance

Property: 629 WASHINGTON BLVD., BALTIMORE, MARYLAND Project No.: _____

Historic District: RIDGELY'S DELIGHT
11-22-88 date initial application received by State _____ date(s) additional information requested by State
11-22-88 date complete information received by State _____
_____ date of this transmittal to NPS _____
Inspection of property by State staff? ☒ no _____ yes date(s): _____

- ☒ There is adequate documentation enclosed to evaluate the historic character and integrity of this property.
☐ There is insufficient documentation to evaluate the property adequately. The application is missing the following items:

Reasonable efforts have been made to obtain this information. Copies of the information requests are enclosed.

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This property involves:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Extensive loss of historic fabric | <input type="checkbox"/> Obscured or covered elevation(s) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Substantial alterations over time | <input type="checkbox"/> Moved property |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary determination of listing | <input type="checkbox"/> State recommendation inconsistent with NR documentation |
| _____ for district | <input type="checkbox"/> Recommendation different from the applicant's request |
| _____ for individual property | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Significance less than 50 years old | |

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Complete item(s) below as appropriate.

- (1) The documentation on file with the National Register cites the period(s) of significance of this historic district as 19TH
- (2) The property ☒ contributes _____ does not contribute to the historic significance of this registered historic district in:
☒ location ☒ design ☒ setting ☒ materials ☒ workmanship ☒ feeling _____ association
_____ Property is mentioned in the NR or State or local district documentation in Section _____, page _____.
- (3) For properties less than 50 years old:
_____ the historical merits of the district (the periods and areas of significance) are documented in the National Register form or district documentation on file as less than 50 years old, justifying the certification of this property's contribution.
_____ the exceptional historical or architectural significance of this property as described in the National Register form or district documentation on file justifies its certification as contributing.
_____ there is insufficient justification to consider this property as contributing to the district for its individual exceptional architectural or historical significance or the significance of the district does not extend to the last 50 years.
- (4) For preliminary determinations:
A. The status of the nomination for the property/historic district:
_____ Nomination has already been submitted to State review board, and nomination will be forwarded to the NPS within _____ months. (Draft nomination is enclosed.)
_____ Nomination was submitted to the NPS on _____.
_____ Nomination will be submitted to the State review board within twelve months.
_____ Nomination process likely will be completed within thirty months.
_____ Other, explain: _____
- B. Evaluation of the property:
_____ Property is individually eligible and meets National Register Criteria for Evaluation
_____ Property is located within a potential registered district that meets National Register
Criteria for Evaluation: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D
Criteria Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G
- (5) The property is located in a registered district, is outside the period(s) or area(s) of significance as documented in the NR form and:
_____ appears to contribute to the expanded significance of the district. Enclosed is the revised nomination documentation.
_____ does not appear to contribute to the period(s) or area(s) of significance of the district.

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Describe and evaluate the physical characteristics of the property, its integrity, and its significance within the context of the historic district (or individually for preliminary determinations of individual listings).

BUILT CIRCA 1840, THIS THREE STORY BRICK TOWNHOUSE REFLECTS THE LATE FEDERAL STYLE. ALTHOUGH ITS FACADE AND INTERIOR FEATURES REMAIN FAIRLY INTACT (IF ONLY IN FAIR CONDITION), THE REAR ELL SECTION HAS LOST ITS SECOND FLOOR WALLS. SURVIVING FEATURES ON THE INTERIOR INCLUDE MANTELS, DOORS, DOOR TRIM, BASEBOARDS AND PLASTER WALLS.

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State Official Recommendation:

- This application for the above-named property has been reviewed by MICHAEL DRY, a professionally qualified architect, architectural historian, or historian on my staff.
- ☒ The property is included within the boundaries of a registered historic district, contributes to the significance of the district, and is a "certified historic structure" for the purpose of rehabilitation.
- ☐ The property is included within the boundaries of a registered historic district, contributes to the significance of the district, and is a "certified historic structure" for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes in accordance with the Tax Treatment Extension Act of 1980.
- ☐ The property does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.
- ☐ The property appears to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely be nominated.
- ☐ The property does not appear to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will not be nominated.
- ☐ The property appears to contribute to the significance of a:
- ☐ potential historic district which appears to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely be nominated.
- ☐ registered historic district but is outside the period(s) or areas of significance as documented in the National Register nomination or district documentation on file with the NPS. Revised nomination or district documentation is enclosed.
- ☐ The property should be denied a preliminary determination that it could qualify as a certified historic structure.
- ☐ Insufficient documentation has been provided to evaluate the structure.

☐ Detailed NPS review recommended ☐ Precedent-setting case ☐ Forwarded without recommendation

Date

12-21-88

State Official Signature



☐ See attachments:

NPS Comments:

Date

NPS Reviewer

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION CERTIFICATION APPLICATION
PART 1 — EVALUATION OF SIGNIFICANCE

MARYLAND HISTORIC TRUST

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NRIS No:

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Project No:

Instructions: Read the instructions carefully before completing application. No certification will be made unless a completed application form has been received. Type or print clearly in black ink. If additional space is needed, use continuation sheets or attach blank sheets.

629 Washington Blvd.

1. Name of property: _____

Address of property: Street 629 Washington Blvd.

City Baltimore County _____ State MD Zip 21230

Name of historic district: RIDGELY'S DELIGHT

☒ National Register district ☐ certified state or local district ☐ potential historic district

2. Check nature of request:

- ☒ certification that the building contributes to the significance of the above-named historic district for the purpose of rehabilitation.
☐ certification that the structure or building and, where appropriate, the land area on which such a structure or building is located contributes to the significance of the above-named historic district for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes.
☐ certification that the building does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.
☐ preliminary determination for individual listing in the National Register.
☐ preliminary determination that a building located within a potential historic district contributes to the significance of the district.
☐ preliminary determination that a building outside the period or area of significance contributes to the significance of the district.

3. Project contact:

Name Richard Peters, Project Manager, The French Company, Inc.

Street 429 N. Eutaw St. City Baltimore

State Maryland Zip 21201 Daytime Telephone Number (301) 332-8400

4. Owner:

I hereby attest that the information I have provided is, to the best of my knowledge, correct, and that I own the property described above. I understand that falsification of factual representations in this application is subject to criminal sanctions of up to \$10,000 in fines or imprisonment for up to five years pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1001.

Name South Paca Street Partnership Signature Jay T. French Date 11-18-88

Organization c/o The French Company, Inc. Gen. Partner

Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number 52-1488349

Street 429 N. Eutaw St. City Baltimore

State Maryland Zip 21201 Daytime Telephone Number (301) 332-8400

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The National Park Service has reviewed the "Historic Preservation Certification Application — Part 1" for the above-named property and hereby determines that the property:

- ☐ contributes to the significance of the above-named district and is a "certified historic structure" for the purpose of rehabilitation.
☐ contributes to the significance of the above-named district and is a "certified historic structure" for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes in accordance with the Tax Treatment Extension Act of 1980.
☐ does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.

Preliminary Determinations:

- ☐ appears to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely be listed in the National Register of Historic Places if nominated by the State Historic Preservation Officer according to the procedures set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.
☐ does not appear to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely not be listed in the National Register.
☐ appears to contribute to the significance of a potential historic district, which will likely be listed in the National Register of Historic Places if nominated by the State Historic Preservation Officer.
☐ appears to contribute to the significance of a registered historic district but is outside the period or area of significance as documented in the National Register nomination or district documentation on file with the NPS.
☐ does not appear to qualify as a certified historic structure.

Date _____ National Park Service Authorized Signature _____ National Park Service Office/Telephone No: _____

☐ See Attachments

HISTORIC PRESERVATION CERTIFICATION APPLICATION— PART 1

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629 Washington Blvd.

Property Name

Project Number:

629 Washington Blvd. Baltimore, MD 21230

Property Address

5. Description of physical appearance:

This three-story brick rowhouse is three window bays wide, has 6/6 original wood double-hung wood windows in on the two upper floors, and two 6/12 windows on the ground floor. There is a painted brick cornice below the roofline. There is a wood panelled front door with an arched transom and decorative molding which have deteriorated badly. There are wood capped lintels above each window. The house has a gabled roof with the ridge running parallel to the street over its main section, and had a West to East sloping roof over the ell. The ell contained wood 6/6 windows. The eastern brick wall of the ell has been parged. The facade configuration is similar to those found on its neighbors to the East.

Date of Construction: c. 1840 Source of Date: _____

Date(s) of Alteration(s): _____

Has building been moved? ☐ yes ☒ no. If so, when? _____

6. Statement of significance:

The neighborhood of Ridgely's Delight reflects the diverse character of the surrounding 19th Century historic workplaces. It was inhabited by a mix of socio-economic groups from the wealthier doctors who worked at the University of Maryland Hospital to the North, to the blue-collar workers from the B&O railroad and the neighboring brickyards. The architecture which resulted from this mix includes large homes with detailed facades as well as the smaller, unadorned houses of the working class. Most of the houses in Ridgely's Delight are variations of the Baltimore rowhouse design.

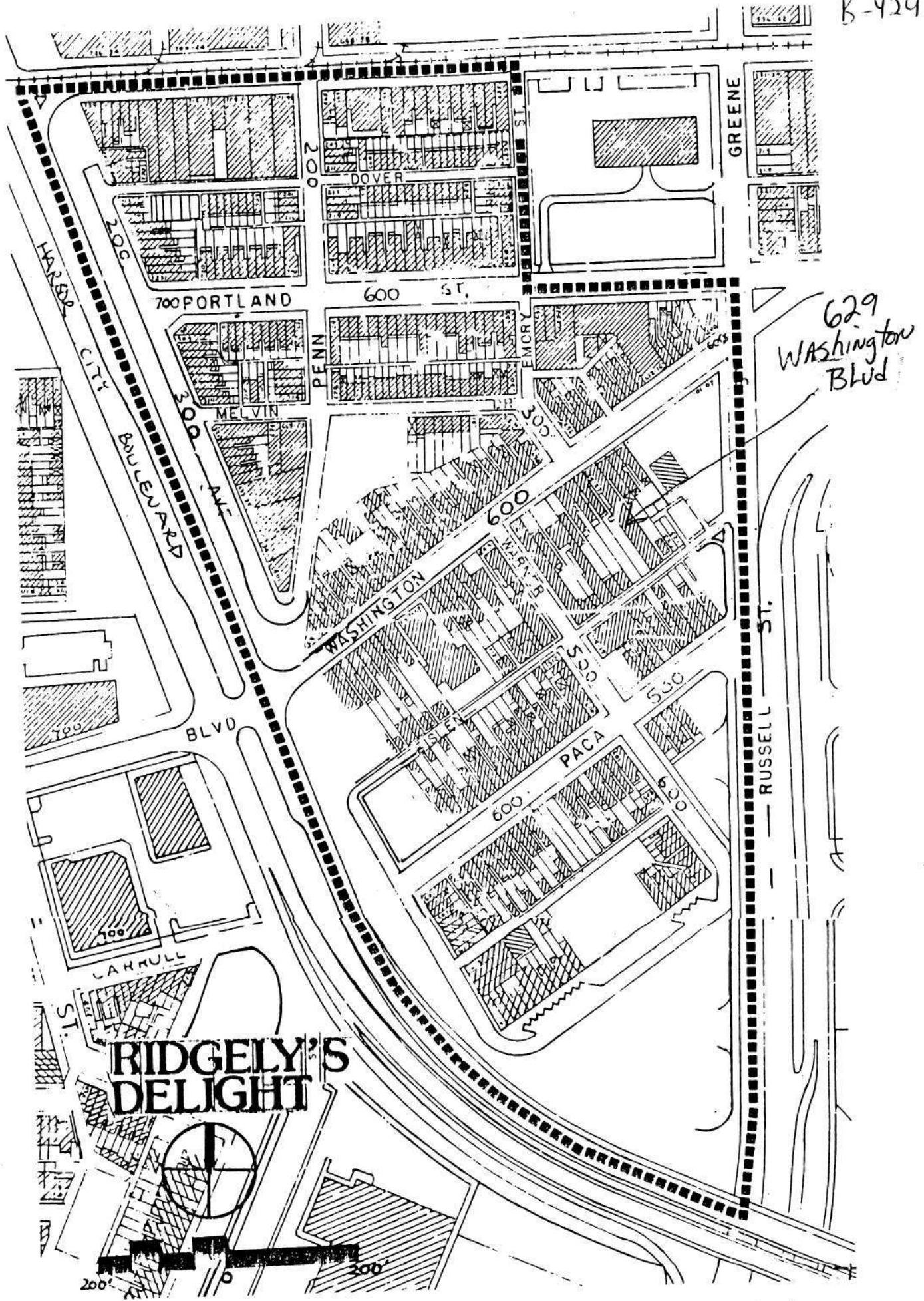
The houses on Washington Blvd. were typically occupied by the wealthier, better educated people. The houses tend to be larger than the houses found on neighboring streets. Some of the houses on both sides of Washington Blvd. (including the buildings on either side of 629) incorporated storefronts for commercial uses. The 3-story brick house at 629 Washington Blvd. is an integral part of the streetscape.

7. Photographs and maps.

Attach photographs and maps to application.

Continuation sheets attached: ☐ yes ☒ no

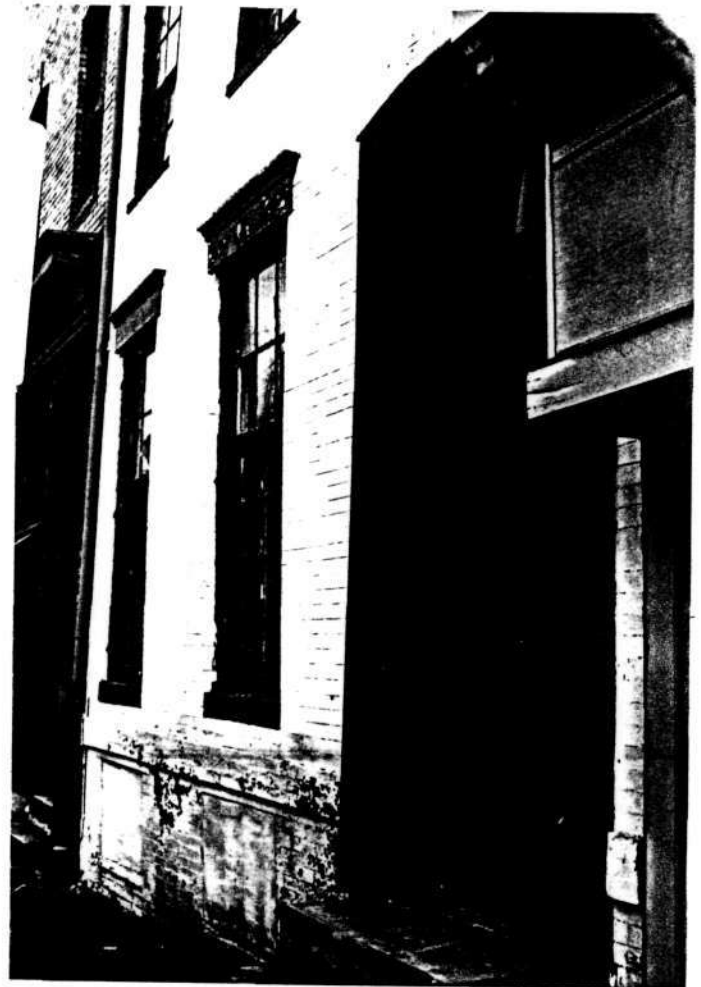
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RIDGELY'S DELIGHT BALTIMORE CITY HISTORIC DISTRICT 10/19/79
RIDGELY'S DELIGHT NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT 6/6/80



1. Front facade.



2. Detail of the front entrance. The casing is damaged and the door is not repairable. Note the wood capped lintels over the windows.

DOVER ST
DOVER PORTLAND
EMORY ST
PORTLAND ST
PENN ST
MELVIN DR
BANKARD LANE
WASHINGTON BLVD
WARNER ST
EILEEN ST
S PACA ST
RUSSELL ST
S MARTIN LUTHER KING JR BLVD
S FREMONT AVE
BARRE-MLK JR
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DOVER ST
W CAMDEN ST
RUSSELL ST

GIS data Courtesy of
the City of Baltimore, MOIT/EGIS

A black and white map of a city area, likely Philadelphia, showing streets, landmarks, and a specific location marked B-4243. The map includes labels for 'STREET', 'St Pauls Cem', 'University Hospital', 'U of M Sch of Medicine', 'TV Tower (WMAR)', 'Counthous', 'PRATT ST', 'Camden Station', 'HANOVER ST', 'LIGHT ST', '4 LANE', 'BM 32', 'OSTEND', 'PACA ST', and 'South High'. A callout box labeled 'B-4243' points to a specific building on a street.